## County Based Funding Practices and Ranking Questions developed by Local Work Group (LWG)

1.	County	name					Monroe
2.	The Be	ginning Farmers	cost share	rate for	this county is		50%
3.	EQIP 2 practic	VG indicated p 2007 by markin e is not availa Pool but may b					
	PRAC. CODE	CONSERVATION PRACTICE NAME	UNITS	PRACTICE LIFE SPAN (Years)	COST SHARE TYPE	Cost Share %	The Local work Group Recommended Using These Practices (A "yes" has been entered for those practices available in this funding pool to use in your county. Blank practices are not available with this ranking tool but may be available other funding pools.)
	560	Access Road	feet	10	AC Average Cost	50%	YES
	316	Animal Mortality Facility	number	15	AC Average Cost	50%	
	575	Animal Trails and Walkways	feet	10	AC Average Cost	50%	YES
	360	Closure of Waste Impoundments	number	15	AC Average Cost	50%	
	317	Composting Facility (CNMP- maintained for life of practice) Including litter and dead animals	number	15	AC Average Cost	50%	
	100	Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plan (CNMP)	number	15	FR (Flat Rate)	100%	
	328	Conservation Crop Rotation	acre	1	AC Average Cost	50%	
	656	Constructed Wetland	acre	15	AC Average Cost	50%	

332	Contour Buffer Strips	acre	10 (Incentive for first 3 years mgt.	FR (Flat Rate)	100%	
	Cover Crop					
340	Max. 3 yrs., max. 100 ac/yr.	acre	1	AC Average Cost	50%	
342	Critical Area Planting	acre	10	AC Average Cost	50%	YES
362	Diversion	feet	10	AC Average Cost	50%	YES
382	Fence (cross fencing, no boundary fences) Includes posts, braces, staples, and wire. May include max. 2 gates per paddock created.	feet	20	AC Average Cost	50%	YES
382	Fence (exclusion fencing)  For Field Border, Filter Strip, Forest Riparian Buffer (wetlands, ponds, streams, and sinkholes).	feet	20	AC Average Cost	50%	YES
386	Field Border  (Established to cool season grasses or bermuda grass, exclusion fencing is separate).	feet	10	AC Average Cost	50%	
386	Field Border  (Established to native warm season grasses, exclusion fencing is separate).	feet	10	AC Average Cost	50%	
393	Filter Strip  (Established to cool season grasses or Bermuda grass, exclusion fencing when required is separate)	acre	10	AC Average Cost	50%	
393	Filter Strip  (Established to native warm season grasses, exclusion fencing when required is separate)	acre	10	AC Average Cost	50%	
666	Forest Stand Improvement	acre	10	AC Average Cost	50%	
410	Grade Stabilization Structure	number	15	AC Average Cost	50%	YES
412	Grassed Waterway	acre	10	AC Average Cost	50%	YES
561	Heavy Use Area Prot.	acre	10	AC Average Cost	50%	YES
464	Irrigation Land Leveling	acre	15	AC Average Cost	50%	
436	Irrigation Storage Reservoir	acre	15	AC Average Cost	50%	
441	Irrigation System, Microirrigation	acre	10	AC Average Cost	50%	
442	Irrigation System, Sprinkler	acre	15	AC Average Cost	50%	

447	Irrigation System, Tailwater Recovery  Not a pond. Practice is for irrigated recycled nutrients and pesticides. Earthwork only, no pipes/pumps.	number	20	AC Average Cost	50%	
430DD	Irrigation Water Conveyance	feet	25	AC Average Cost	50%	
468	Lined Waterway or Outlet	feet	15	AC Average Cost	50%	YES
634	Manure Transfer	number	10	AC Average Cost	50%	
484	Mulching	acre	1	AC Average Cost	50%	YES
590	Nutrient Management	acre	1	FR (Flat Rate)	100%	
512	Pasture/Hay Planting  Approved for cropland conversion only (with 3 yrs. or more of cropping history); no renovation.	acre	10	AC Average Cost	50%	YES
512	Pasture/Hay Planting  Approved for cropland conversion or renovation. Renovation only eligible where a prescribed grazing system is installed (5 paddocks minimum, maximum 14 day rotation, maintain 3 inches grazing height and submit grazing record. (See Grazing Guidelines).	acre	10	AC Average Cost	50%	YES
512	Pasture/Hay Planting  Approved for cropland conversion only (with 3 yrs. or more of cropping history); no renovation.	acre	10	AC Average Cost	50%	YES
512	Pasture/Hay Planting (Native grass establishment only) Eligible land will be cropland, grassland, hayland. Management required, apply only under the wildlife ranking sheet. Associated practice of 645 with incentive payment required.	acre	10	AC Average Cost	50%	YES
595	Pest Management	acre	1	AC Average Cost	50%	
516	Pipeline Includes pumps, pressure tanks, backflow devices, hydrants, concrete. all appurtenances.	feet	20	AC Average Cost	50%	YES

378	Pond (or Well) Livestock water supply only; \$2,000 max/pond	number	20	AC Average Cost	50%	YES
521 A,B,C,D	Pond Sealing or Lining For Waste Storage Facility	number	15/20	AC Average Cost	50%	
338	only. Prescribed Burning	acre	5	AC Average Cost	50%	
528	Prescribed Grazing 14 day or less rotation Limited to 100 acres per individual per lifetime (regardless of the number of farms operated. Incentive payment \$15 per acre per year for 3 years. Five paddocks, grazing rotation 14 days or less, lime by soil test, fertilize by production needs, pest mgt., nutrient mgt, and submit grazing records.	acre	5 Year Life Span (Annual - 3 yrs required)	FR Flat Rate (Incentive Payment \$15.00 per/ac)	100%	YES
528	Prescribed Grazing 7 day or less rotation Limited to 100 acres per individual per lifetime (regardless of the number of farms operated. Incentive payment \$25 per acre per year for 3 years. Eight or more paddocks, grazing rotation 7 days or less, lime by soil test, fertilize by production needs, pest mgt., nutrient mgt, and submit grazing records.	acre	5 Year Life Span (Annual - 3 yrs required)	FR Flat Rate (Incentive Payment \$25.00 per/ac)	100%	YES
533	Pumping Plant	number	15	AC Average Cost	50%	YES
391	Riparian Forest Buffer (When fencing is required it is a separate item)	acre	15	AC Average Cost	50%	YES
390	Riparian Herbaceous Cover	acre	10	AC Average Cost	50%	
558	Roof Runoff Structure	number	15	AC Average Cost	50%	
350	Sediment Basin	number	20	AC Average Cost	50%	
632	Solid/Liquid Waste Separation Facility	number	15	AC Average Cost	50%	
574	Spring Development	number	10	AC Average Cost	50%	YES
578	Stream Crossing (for livestock operations)	number	10	AC Average Cost	50%	YES

	Streambank/Shoreline Protection					
580	Installation of bioengineering or riprap.  (Requires the installation of buffers and use exclusion. Requires landowner to obtain permits.)	feet	20	AC Average Cost	50%	YES
585	Stripcropping	acre	5	FR (Flat Rate) Establishment	100%	
587	Structure for Water Control	number	20	AC Average Cost	50%	
606	Subsurface Drain	feet	20	AC Average Cost	50%	
600	Terrace	feet	10	AC Average Cost	50%	
612	Tree/Shrub Establishment	acre	15	AC Average Cost	50%	YES
620	Underground Outlet	feet	20	AC Average Cost	50%	
645	Upland Wildlife Habitat Management (This applies only to producers that receive cost share for 512, 393, or 386. Native Grasses under the Wildlife Ranking sheet. Incentive payment to replace part of the loss of forage during the first two years during establishment.	acres	l Year Life Span (2 yrs annually applied)	FR Flat Rate (Incentive Payment \$75.00 per/ac)	100%	
367	Waste Facility Cover	number	25	AC Average Cost	50%	
313	Waste Storage Facility (Existing Operation)  (CNMP- maintained for life of practice includes animal mortality plan. For livestock grazing operations where Waste Storage Facility will be installed, a Prescribed Grazing system with a minimum of 5 paddocks plus one sacrifice area for the 313 location is required.)	number	15	AC Average Cost	75%	
313	Waste Storage Facility (New Operation)  (CNMP- maintained for life of practice includes animal mortality plan. For livestock grazing operations where Waste Storage Facility will be installed, a Prescribed Grazing system with a minimum of 5 paddocks plus one sacrifice area for the 313 location is required.	number	15	AC Average Cost	50%	

633	Waste Utilization (Nitrogen or Phosphorus based CNMP, \$5.00 per acre/per yr., for up to three years, max. of 100 acres)	acre	1 Year Life Span (Annual - 3 yrs required)	FR Flat Rate (Incentive Payment - \$5.00 per ac. N or P205)	100%	
635	Wastewater Treatment Strip	acre	15	AC Average Cost	50%	
638	Water/Sediment Control Basin	number	10	AC Average Cost	50%	
642	Water Well for livestock only	number	20	AC Average Cost	50%	
614	Watering Facility (Trough/tank) (Heavy Use Area when required is a separate item.)	number	10	AC Average Cost	50%	YES
657	Wetland Restoration	acre	15	AC Average Cost	50%	
648	Wildlife Watering Facility	number	5	AC Average Cost	50%	

4. County Base Ranking Tool.

Question #	Question	Points	Responses
1	Are you a legitiment Full-Time or Part-Time Producer?	100	Yes No
2	Is your operation located in a 303d listed watershed?	95	Yes No
3	Is Livestock present on property?	90	Yes No
4	Is your property in the Greenbelt?	85	Yes No
5	Is this your first time signing up for EQIP?	80	Yes No
6	Does the application include practices that will improve livestock distribution?	75	Yes No
7	Does the cost-shared practice(s) help improve water quality?	70	Yes No
8	Are Soil Tests taken every 3 years or sooner?	65	Yes No
9	If herbicides are used, will the labeled directions be followed?	60	Yes No
10	Blank	55	Yes No
11	Blank	50	Yes No
12	Blank	45	Yes No
13	Blank	40	Yes No
14	Blank	35	Yes No
15	Blank	30	Yes No
16	Blank	25	Yes No
17	Blank	20	Yes No
18	Blank	15	Yes No
19	Blank	10	Yes No
20	Blank	5	Yes No